

Preliminary Amendment Application No. 10/526,611 Atty. Docket No. 268252US-6

<u>REMARKS</u>

Favorable reconsideration of this Application, as presently amended and in light of the following discussion, is respectfully requested.

After the foregoing amendment, Claims 1-14 remain pending in the present Application. Claim 8 has been amended and new Claims 9-14 have been added to address cosmetic matters of form, namely, to remove the multidependency of Claim 8 and incorporate the subject matter thereof into new Claims 9-14. No new matter has been added.

CONCLUSION

Consequently, in view of the foregoing amendment and remarks, it is respectfully requested that a full and thorough examination of the present Application, including Claims 1-14, be conducted on the merits thereof.

Respectfully submitted,

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